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AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

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- (currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:
- a first matching section, connected to an input signal, and having a first output and a second output;
 - a termination section connected to the first output; and
- a pie-shaped type impedance matching section connected to the second output and having a plurality of pie-shaped impedance matching section outputs, said pie-shaped impedance matching section outputs having substantially equal phase when connected to a predetermined load impedance.
- 2. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said <u>pie-shaped</u> impedance matching section outputs have substantially equal magnitude.
- 3. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the pie-shaped type impedance matching section has a body section having a wedge-shaped geometry.
- 4. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of <u>pie-shaped impedance matching section</u> outputs of the pie-shaped type-impedance matching section has a substantially rectangular geometry.
 - 5. (original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the termination section comprises: a resistor; and
 - a capacitor connected to the resistor.

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- 6. (original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the termination section comprises the series combination of a resistor and a capacitor, wherein one terminal of the series combination is connected to circuit ground.
 - 7. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:
- a plurality of load elements, wherein each load element is connected to one of said plurality of pie-shaped impedance matching section outputs.
- 8. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:
 a plurality of op-amps, wherein each op-amp is connected to one of said plurality of pieshaped impedance matching section outputs.
 - 9. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising: a plurality of load elements; and
- a plurality of transmission lines, wherein each of said transmission lines connect a corresponding one of said load elements to a corresponding one of said pie-shaped impedance matching section outputs of said pie-shaped type-impedance matching section.
 - 10. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising: a plurality of load elements; and
- a plurality of transmission lines, wherein each of said transmission lines connect a corresponding one of said load elements to a corresponding one of said pie-shaped impedance matching section outputs of said pie-shaped type-impedance matching section;

wherein each of said plurality of transmission lines is impedance matched to its corresponding load element.

- 11. (original) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a signal generating device in communication with the first matching section.
- 12. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the pie-shaped type impedance matching section comprises a conductive material.

- 13. (original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the conductive material is copper.
- 14. (currently amended) A system, comprising:
- a first matching section connected to an input signal having a first output and a second output;
 - a termination section connected to the first output;
- a pie-shaped type impedance matching section connected to the second output and having a plurality of outputs, said outputs of said pie-shaped type-impedance matching section having substantially equal phase when connected to a predetermined load impedance; and
 - a signal generating device in communication with the first matching section.
- 15. (currently amended) The system of claim 14, wherein the pie-shaped type impedance matching section has a body section having a wedge-shaped geometry.
- 16. (currently amended) The system of claim 14, wherein at least one of said outputs of the pie-shaped type-impedance matching section has a substantially rectangular geometry.
 - 17. (original) The system of claim 14, wherein the termination section comprises: a resistor; and a capacitor connected to the resistor.
- 18. (original) The system of claim 17, wherein the termination section comprises the series combination of a resistor and a capacitor, wherein one terminal of the series combination is connected to circuit ground.
 - 19. (currently amended) The system of claim 14, further comprising:
- a plurality of load elements, wherein each load element is connected to one of said plurality of outputs of said pie-shaped type-impedance matching section.
 - 20. (currently amended) The system of claim 14, further comprising:

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a plurality of load elements, wherein each load element is connected to one of said plurality of outputs of said pie-shaped type-impedance matching section; and

wherein one or more of said load elements is an op-amp.

- 21. (currently amended) The system of claim 14, further comprising:
- a plurality of load elements; and
- a plurality of transmission lines, wherein each of said transmission lines connect a corresponding one of said load elements to a corresponding one of said outputs of said pie-shaped type-impedance matching section.
 - 22 (currently amended) The system of claim 21, further comprising:
 - a plurality of load elements; and
- a plurality of transmission lines, wherein each of said transmission lines connect a corresponding one of said load elements to a corresponding one of said outputs of said pie-shaped type-impedance matching section;

wherein each of said plurality of transmission lines is impedance matched to its corresponding load element.

23. (currently amended) A method, comprising:

providing a plurality of pie-shaped type-impedance matching section outputs using a pie-shaped type-impedance matching section, said outputs having substantially equal phase and magnitude when connected to a predetermined load impedance;

impedance matching an input signal having a first output and a second output to the preshaped type-impedance section; and

providing a termination section connected to the first output.

24. (currently amended) The method of claim 23, wherein the step of outputting a plurality of outputs using a pie-shaped type-impedance matching section utilizes a pie-shaped type-impedance matching section having a wedge-shaped geometry.

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- 25. (original) The method of claim 23, further comprising loading each of said plurality of outputs with a load element.
- 26. (currently amended) The method of claim 25, further comprising:
 impedance matching a plurality of transmission lines connecting each of said load
 elements to each of said pie-shaped type-impedance matching section outputs.
- 27. (currently amended) The method of claim 23, further comprising loading each of said plurality of pie-shaped type-impedance matching section outputs with an op-amp.
- 28. (currently amended) The method of claim 23, further comprising:
 generating an input signal and providing the generated input signal to the pie-shaped type impedance section.